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H B. No. 1239

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the issuance of permits to certain persons by the Texas

Air Control Board, the Texas Water Commission, and the Texas

Department of Health.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. The Texas Clean Air Act (Article 4477-5, Vernon's

Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Section 3.283 to read as

8 follows:

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Sec. 3.283. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT OR GRANTING OF

EXEMPTION. (a) In this section, "permit" means a permit or

special permit issued by the board under this Act.

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (d) of this section,

the board may not issue a construction or operating permit, or

grant an exemption under Section 3.27(a) of this Act, to an owner

or operator of a facility that has been or is being constructed or

operated without a permit required by this Act. The prohibition on

the issuance of a permit or the granting of an exemption applies

18 for three years after the date on which the owner or operator

receives notice of the violation or, if notice of the violation is

not received, for three years after the date on which the owner or

operator first applies for the required permit. The prohibition

applies to any successor in interest to the facility.

(c) If the board or a local government with enforcement

authority under Section 4.03 of this Act has information that

1	indicates that a facility has been or is being constructed or
2	operated without a permit required by this Act, the board or local
3	government shall provide written notice of the violation to the
4	owner or operator of the facility. The notice must describe the
5	violation and inform the owner or operator of the penalties that
6	may be assessed under this Act, including the prohibition on
7	issuance of a permit or the granting of an exemption. A local
8	government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the notice
9	to the board. Failure of the board or a local government to
10	provide notice of the violation does not waive the prohibition
11	under Subsection (b) of this section.

- (d) The board may issue a permit or grant an exemption notwithstanding the prohibition under Subsection (b) of this section if the owner or operator:
- (1) submits to the board a sworn application setting

 forth in detail evidence supporting the following facts:
- (A) that based on technological information and legal advice available to the owner or operator, the owner or operator was not aware that a permit was required or reasonably believed that a permit was not required; and
- (B) the owner or operator ceased operations

 immediately on being notified by the board or a local government

 with enforcement authority that a permit was required; and
- 24 (2) the board finds that the owner or operator has 25 proven those facts by clear and convincing evidence.
- (e) Section 3.271 of this Act applies to consideration of an application for a permit under Subsection (d) of this section.

SECTION 2. Chapter 26, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 26.0284 to read as follows:

Sec. 26.0284. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT. Except as provided by Subsection (c) of this section, the commission may not issue a permit to an owner or operator of a sewer system, treatment facility, or disposal facility that has been or is discharging waste without a permit required by this subchapter. The prohibition on the issuance of a permit applies for three years after the date on which the owner or operator receives notice of the violation or, if notice of the violation is not received, for three years after the date on which the owner or operator first applies for the required permit. The prohibition applies to any successor in interest to the sewer system, treatment facility, or disposal facility.

authority under Section 26.124 of this code has information that indicates that a sewer system, treatment facility, or disposal facility has been or is discharging waste without a permit required by this subchapter, the commission or local government shall provide written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of the facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform the owner or operator of the penalties that may be assessed under this code, including the prohibition on issuance of a permit. A local government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the notice to the commission. Failure of the commission or a local government to provide notice of the violation does not waive the prohibition under Subsection (a) of this section.

	(c) The commission may issue a permit or grant an exemption
2	notwithstanding the prohibition under Subsection (a) of this
3	section if the owner or operator:
4	(1) submits to the commission a sworn application
5	setting forth in detail evidence supporting the following facts:
6	(A) that based on technological information and
7	legal advice available to the owner or operator, the owner or
8	operator was not aware that a permit was required or reasonably
9	believed that a permit was not required; and
10	(B) the owner or operator ceased operations
11	immediately on being notified by the commission or a local
12	government with enforcement authority that a permit was required;
13	and
14	(2) the commission finds that the owner or operator
15	has proven those facts by clear and convincing evidence.
16	(d) Section 26.028 of this code applies to consideration of
17	an application for a permit under Subsection (c) of this section.
18	SECTION 3. Chapter 27, Water Code, is amended by adding
19	Section 27.0181 to read as follows:
20	Sec. 27.0181. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT; EXEMPTION.
21	(a) Except as provided by Subsection (c) of this section, the
22	commission may not issue a permit to an owner or operator of an
23	injection well that has been or is being operated without a permit
24	required by this subchapter. The prohibition on the issuance of a
25	permit applies for three years after the date on which the owner or
26	operator receives notice of the violation or, if notice of the

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violation is not received, for three years after the date on which

- the owner or operator first applies for the required permit. The 1
- prohibition applies to any successor in interest to the injection 2
- 3 <u>well.</u>

- (b) If the commission or a local government with enforcement authority under Section 26.124 of this code has information that 5 indicates that an injection well has been or is being operated 6 7
- without a permit required by this subchapter, the commission or local government shall provide written notice of the violation to 8
- the owner or operator of the injection well. The notice must 9
- describe the violation and inform the owner or operator of the 10
- penalties that may be assessed under this code, including the 11
- prohibition on issuance of a permit. A local government that 12
- provides the notice shall send a copy of the notice to the 13
- commission. Failure of the commission or a local government to 14
- provide notice of the violation does not waive the prohibition 15
- 16 under Subsection (a) of this section.
- 17 (c) The commission may issue a permit or grant an exemption
- notwithstanding the prohibition under Subsection (a) of this 18
- section if the owner or operator: 19
- 20 (1) submits to the commission a sworn application
- setting forth in detail evidence supporting the following facts: 21
- 22 (A) that based on technological information and
- legal advice available to the owner or operator, the owner or 23
- operator was not aware that a permit was required or reasonably 24
- believed that a permit was not required; and 25
- 26 (B) the owner or operator ceased operations
- immediately on being notified by the commission or a local 27

- 1 government with enforcement authority that a permit was required;
- 2 and
- 3 (2) the commission finds that the owner or operator
- 4 has proven those facts by clear and convincing evidence.
- 5 (d) Section 27.018 of this code applies to consideration of
- an application for a permit under Subsection (c) of this section.
- 7 SECTION 4. The Solid Waste Disposal Act (Article 4477-7,
- 8 Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Section 4C to
- 9 read as follows:
- Sec. 4C. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT. (a) In this
- 11 section, "state agency" means the commission or the department.
- (b) Except as provided by Subsection (d) of this section,
- the state agency with jurisdiction may not issue a permit to an
- owner or operator of a facility that has been or is being operated
- 15 without a permit required by this Act. The prohibition on the
- 16 issuance of a permit applies for three years after the date on
- which the owner or operator receives notice of the violation or, if
- notice of the violation is not received, for three years after the
- 19 date on which the owner or operator first applies for the required
- 20 permit. The prohibition applies to any successor in interest to
- 21 the facility.
- 22 (c) If the state agency or a local government with
- enforcement authority under Section 8(a)(4) of this Act has
- 24 information that indicates that a facility has been or is being
- operated without a permit required by this Act, the state agency
- 26 with jurisdiction or local government shall provide written notice
- of the violation to the owner or operator of the facility. The

- notice must describe the violation and inform the owner or operator
- of the penalties that may be assessed under this Act, including the
- 3 prohibition on issuance of a permit. A local government that
- 4 provides the notice shall send a copy of the notice to the state
- 5 agency with jurisdiction. Failure of the state agency or a local
- 6 government to provide notice of the violation does not waive the
- 7 prohibition under Subsection (b) of this section.
- 8 (d) The state agency with jurisdiction may issue a permit
- 9 notwithstanding the prohibition under Subsection (b) of this
- section if the owner or operator:
- 11 (1) submits to the state agency a sworn application
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- (A) that based on technological information and
- 14 legal advice available to the owner or operator, the owner or
- operator was not aware that a permit was required or reasonably
- believed that a permit was not required; and
- (B) the owner or operator ceased operations
- immediately on being notified by the state agency or a local
- 19 government with enforcement authority that a permit was required;
- 20 and
- 21 (2) the state agency finds that the owner or operator
- has proven those facts by clear and convincing evidence.
- (e) Section 4(e)(4) of this Act applies to consideration of
- an application for a permit under Subsection (d) of this section.
- 25 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 1989, and
- 26 applies to:
- 27 (1) an owner or operator:

1 (A) who is provided with written notice on or

2 after that date by the Texas Air Control Board, the Texas Water

3 Commission, the Texas Department of Health, or a local government

4 with enforcement authority that the person:

5 (i) has operated or constructed or is

6 operating or constructing a facility or an injection well without a

permit in violation of the Texas Clean Air Act (Article 4477-5,

Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), the Solid Waste Disposal Act

(Article 4477-7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), or Chapter 27,

10 Water Code; or

11 (ii) has discharged waste or is

discharging waste from a sewer system, treatment facility, or

disposal facility without a permit required under Chapter 26, Water

14 Code; or

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(B) who has a permit application pending on

September 1, 1989, for consideration by, or submits a permit

application after September 1, 1989, to, the Texas Air Control

Board, the Texas Water Commission, or the Texas Department of

19 Health for:

20 (i) a facility or an injection well that

21 the person has operated or constructed or is operating or

constructing in violation of the Texas Clean Air Act (Article

4477-5, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), the Solid Waste Disposal

Act (Article 4477-7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), or Chapter 27,

25 Water Code; or

26 (ii) a sewer system, treatment facility,

or disposal facility that has discharged or is discharging waste

- 1 without a permit required under Chapter 26, Water Code; or
- 2 (2) the owner or operator's successor in interest in
- 3 that system or facility.
- 4 SECTION 6. The importance of this legislation and the
- 5 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an
- 6 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the
- 7 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several
- 8 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1239:

By Kuempel

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5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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9	Sec. 3.283. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT. (a) In this
10	section, "permit" means a permit, special permit, or exemption
11	issued by the board under this Act.
12	(b) In this section, "plant site" includes all
13	geographically contiguous property, which may be divided by public
14	or private rights-of-way, as well as noncontiguous properties owned
15	by the same person but connected by a right-of-way that the person
16	controls and to which the public does not have access.
17	(c) The board may not issue a construction or operating
18	permit for the initial facility at a new plant site to an owner or
19	operator who, in knowing disregard of the requirements of this Act,
20	constructs or operates the facility without a permit required by
21	this Act. This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period
22	of three years after the date on which the owner or operator
23	receives notice of the violation pursuant to Subsection (d) of this
24	section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the

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- 1 board or a court relative to that violation. However, this
- 2 prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator ceased
- 3 operations immediately upon receipt of the notice of violation.
- 4 (d) If the board or a local government with enforcement
- 5 authority under Section 4.03 of this Act has information that
- 6 indicates that a facility described in Subsection (c) of this
- 7 section has been or is being constructed or operated without a
- 8 permit required by this Act, the board or local government shall
- 9 provide written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of
- 10 the facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform
- the owner or operator of the penalties that may be assessed under
- 12 this Act, including the prohibition on issuance of a permit. A
- 13 local government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the
- 14 notice to the board.
- (e) The board shall adopt rules to implement this section.
- 16 SECTION 2. Chapter 26, Water Code, is amended by adding
- 17 Section 26.0284 to read as follows:
- 18 Sec. 26.0284. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT. (a) In
- this section, "facility" means a sewer system, treatment facility,
- or disposal facility.
- 21 (b) In this section, "plant site" includes all
- 22 geographically contiguous property, which may be divided by public
- or private rights-of-way, as well as noncontiguous properties owned
- 24 by the same person but connected by a right-of-way that the person
- controls and to which the public does not have access.
- 26 (c) The commission may not issue a permit for the initial
- 27 facility at a new plant site to an owner or operator who, in

- 1 knowing disregard of the requirements of this chapter, discharges
- 2 waste from the facility without a permit required by this chapter.
- 3 This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period of three
- 4 years after the date on which the owner or operator receives notice
- 5 of the violation pursuant to Subsection (d) of this section and
- 6 becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the commission
- a court relative to that violation. However, this prohibition 7
- 8 does not apply if the owner or operator ceased operations
- 9 immediately upon receipt of the notice of violation.
- 10 (d) If the commission or a local government with enforcement
- 11 authority under Section 26.124 of this code has information that
- indicates that a facility described in Subsection (c) of this 12
- 13 section has been or is discharging waste without a permit required
- 14 by this chapter, the commission or local government shall provide
- 15 written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of the
- facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform the
- owner or operator of the penalties that may be assessed under this
- chapter, including the prohibition on issuance of a permit. A 18
- 19 local government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the
- 20 notice to the commission.

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- 21 (e) The prohibition under Subsection (c) of this section
- 22 does not apply if, within five days after the receipt of notice of
- 23 violation, the owner or operator applies for a finding from the
- commission that the activity is a necessary activity, and that its 24
- 25 continuation would be more protective of the environment than its
- cessation, and within 10 days of receipt of that application, the 26
- commission makes such a finding. This does not, however, limit the 27

- liability of the owner or operator under this code for each day the
- 2 owner or operator continues to operate without a permit.
- 3 Additionally, upon becoming aware of such a situation, the
- 4 executive director shall take measures to put a permit application
- 5 for the violating facility preferentially ahead of the processing
- 6 of other applications.
- 7 (f) The commission shall adopt rules to implement this
- 8 section.
- 9 SECTION 3. Chapter 27, Water Code, is amended by adding
- 10 Section 27.0181 to read as follows:
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- this section, "plant site" includes all geographically contiguous
- property, which may be divided by public or private rights-of-way,
- 14 as well as noncontiguous properties owned by the same person but
- connected by a right-of-way that the person controls and to which
- the public does not have access.
- 17 (b) The commission may not issue a permit for the initial
- injection well at a new plant site to an owner or operator who, in
- knowing disregard of the requirements of this chapter, constructs
- 20 or operates an injection well without a permit required by this
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- of three years after the date on which the owner or operator
- 23 receives notice of the violation pursuant to Subsection (c) of this
- 24 section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the
- 25 commission or a court relative to that violation. However, this
- 26 prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator ceased
- operations immediately upon receipt of the notice of violation.

- 1 (c) If the commission or a local government with enforcement 2 authority under this chapter has information that indicates that an injection well described in Subsection (b) of this section has been 3 4 or is being constructed or operated without a permit required by this chapter, the commission or local government shall provide written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of the 6 facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform the 7 owner or operator of the penalties that may be assessed under this 8 9 chapter, including the prohibition on issuance of a permit. A 10 local government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the 11 notice to the commission.
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- 23 (b) The commission or department may not issue a permit for
 24 the initial facility at a new plant site to an owner or operator
 25 who, in knowing disregard of the requirements of this Act,
 26 constructs or operates the facility without a permit required by
 27 this Act. This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period

- of three years after the date on which the owner or operator
- 2 receives notice of the violation pursuant to Subsection (c) of this
- 3 section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the
- 4 commission or department or a court relative to that violation.
- 5 However, this prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator
- 6 ceased operations immediately upon receipt of the notice of
- 7 violation.
- 8 (c) If the commission or department or a local government
- 9 with enforcement authority under Section 8(a)(4) of this Act has
- information that indicates that a facility described in Subsection
- 11 (b) of this section has been or is being constructed or operated
- without a permit required by this Act, the commission, department,
- or local government shall provide written notice of the violation
- to the owner or operator of the facility. The notice must describe
- the violation and inform the owner or operator of the penalties
- 16 that may be assessed under this Act, including the prohibition on
- issuance of a permit. A local government that provides the notice
- shall send a copy of the notice to the commission or department.
- 19 (d) The commission or department shall adopt rules to
- 20 implement this section.
- 21 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 1989, and
- applies to an owner or operator who is provided with written notice
- on or after that date by the Texas Air Control Board, the Texas
- 24 Water Commission, the Texas Department of Health, or a local
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COMMITTEE REPORT

The Honorable Gib Lewis Speaker of the House of Representatives

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BILL ANALYSIS

BACKGROUND

Currently it is possible for a person, whether knowingly or unknowingly, to begin a regulated activity without a necessary permit from the Texas Department of Health, the Texas Air Control Board and the Texas Water Commission. In addition, it is possible for such a person to apply for the necessary permit while the unpermitted operation continues, and for that person to receive a permit from the agency for the regulated activity which has been illegally conducted.

This situation presents potential harm to the public in two ways: 1) it subjects the public to any potential environmental consequences prior to the state agency's review to determine whether the facility will adversely affect the public, and 2) it penalizes conscientious operators who abide by the permitting process requirements.

PURPOSE

H.B. 1239 will prohibit those persons who operate without a permit from receiving a permit for three years unless such a person can prove that it was unreasonable to believe that a permit was not required and ceases the unpermitted activity until receipt of a permit.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not grant any rulemaking authority to a state officer, agency, department or institution.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Section 3.283, Texas Clean Air Act is amended:

Sec. 3.283. (a) Defines "permit".

- (b) Defines "plant site".
- (c) Prohibits the issuance of a construction or operating permit, for the initial facility at a new site, to an owner or operator of a facility conducting an unpermitted activity; provides that the prohibition applies for three years; however, this prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator ceased operations immediately upon receipt of the notice of violation.
- (d) Requires the board or an authorized local government to provide written notice to the owner or operator in violation and include a description of the violation and any penalties; and provides that local governments must forward a copy of the notice to the board.
- (e) The board shall adopt rules to implement this section.
- SECTION 2. Section 26.0284, Chapter 26, Water Code is amended:

Sec. 26.0284. (a) Defines "facility".

- (b) Defines "plant site".
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- (e) Provides for an exception under Subsection (c) if certain conditions exist such that continuation of the activity would be more protective than cessation.
- (f) The commission shall adopt rules to implement this section.
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 - Sec. 27.0181. (a) Defines "plant site".
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- (d) The commission shall adopt rules to implement this section.
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- (d) The commission or department shall adopt rules to implement this section.
- SECTION 5. The effective date is September 1, 1989; provides criteria stating to what owner/operator this Act applies.
- SECTION 6. Emergency clause.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL TO SUBSTITUTE

The substitute amends the same portions of the law as the original: Texas Clean Air Act, Chapters 26 and 27 of the Water Code, and the Solid Waste Disposal Act. The substitute is narrower in scope compared to the original, only applying to the initial facility permit at a new site; it puts the burden on the agency to prove "knowing disregard" of the permitting requirements; does not affect anyone operating in good faith, as the original intended; the substitute preserves the three year penalty for those operating in knowing disregard who refuse to immediately shut down operations upon receiving notice; the substitute preserves the ability of a person affected by this new provision to received a permit if the person shut down operations upon receiving notice of violation; and lastly, it provides for an exemption to the prohibition based on a finding from the commission that the activity is a necessary activity; and that its continuation would be more protective of the environment than its cessation: liability is not limited under this code; and lastly, the substitute provides that the executive director, upon becoming aware of such a situation, shall take necessary measures to process the application.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTION

H.B. 1239 was considered in a public hearing on March 21, 1989. Testifying for the bill was David Melasky, representing the Office of the County Attorney for Harris County. Testifying against the bill was R. Kinnan Goleman. Testifying on the bill were Ralph Marquez, representing Texas Chemical Council, Jim Haley, representing Texas Water Commission, and Jim Haley, representing Texas Water Commission. H.B. 1239 was referred to subcommittee which held a formal meeting on April 10, 1989. Representative Kuempel offered a committee substitute which was adopted and reported favorably back to the committee. The subcommittee report was considered by the full committee on April 20, 1989. The motion to report the bill favorably as substituted and be placed on the Consent calendar carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 PNV, and 2 Absent.

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE

April 21, 1989

Honorable Robert Saunders, Chair Committee on Environmental Affairs House of Representatives T0:

In Re: Committee Substitute for

House Bill No. 1239

Austin, Texas

FROM: Jim Oliver, Director

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

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FISCAL NOTE March 20, 1989

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REQUEST FOR LOCAL & UNCONTESTED CALENDAR PLACEMENT

Hon. Bill Sims, Chairman Administration Committee

Sir:

was heard by the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES on 5/7, 197, and reported out with the recommendation that it be placed on the Local and Uncontested Calendar.

Clerk of the reporting committee

IMPORTANT: A COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO A PRINTED COPY OF THE BILL OR RESOLUTION, WHICH ALONG WITH 14 ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE BILL OR RESOLUTION SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION, ROOM 419. PLEASE CALL 3-0350 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING BILLS FOR THE LOCAL CALENDAR IS 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY.

SENATE FAVORABLY AS AMENDED COMMITTEE REPORT

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COMMITTEE CLERK CHAIRMAN CHAIRMAN

Paper clip the original and one copy of this form to the original bill along with the original and one copy of each committee amendment adopted. Retain one copy of this form for your file.

Polumbo (Senate Sponsor - Green) H.B. No. 1239 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 1989; May 9, 1989, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources; May 18, 1989, reported favorably, as amended, by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 18, 1989, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

7		Yea	Nay	PNV	Absent
8	Santiesteban	x			
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By: Santiesteban

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(d) If the commission or a local government with enforcement authority under Section 26.124 of this code has information that indicates that a facility described in Subsection (c) of this section has been or is discharging waste without a permit required by this chapter, the commission or local government shall provide written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of the facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform the owner or operator of the penalties that may be assessed under this chapter, including the prohibition on issuance of a permit. A local government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the notice to the commission.

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- (b) The commission or department may not issue a permit for the initial facility at a new plant site to an owner or operator who, in knowing disregard of the requirements of this Act, constructs or operates the facility without a permit required by this Act. This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period of three years after the date on which the owner or operator of three years after the date on which the owner or operator receives notice of the violation pursuant to Subsection (c) of this section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the commission or department or a court relative to that violation. However, this prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator ceased operations immediately upon receipt of the violation.
- (c) Ιf the commission or department or a local government with enforcement authority under Section 8(a)(4) of this Act has information that indicates that a facility described in Subsection (b) of this section has been or is being constructed or operated without a permit required by this Act, the commission, department, or local government shall provide written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of the facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform the owner or operator of the penalties that may be assessed under this Act, including the prohibition on issuance of a permit. A local government that provides the notice shall send a copy of the notice to the commission or department.

 (d) The commission or department shall adopt rules to implement this section.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 1989, and applies to an owner or operator who is provided with written notice on or after that date by the Texas Air Control Board, the Texas Water Commission, the Texas Department of Health, or a local government with enforcement authority that the person:

- (1) has operated or constructed or is operating or constructing a facility or an injection well without a permit in violation of the Texas Clean Air Act (Article 4477-5, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), the Solid Waste Disposal Act (Article 4477-7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), or Chapter 27, Water Code;
- (2) has discharged waste or is discharging waste from a sewer system, treatment facility, or disposal facility without permit required under Chapter 26, Water Code.

SECTION 6. The importance of this legislation and

H.B. No. 1239 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended. 2 3 4 5 * * * * * 6 Austin, Texas May 18, 1989 7 8 Hon. William P. Hobby 9 President of the Senate 10 Sir: We, your Committee on Natural Resources to which was referred H.B. No. 1239, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation 11 12 13 14 that it do pass, as amended, and be printed. 15 Santiesteban, Chairman

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE

May 10, 1989

TO: Honorable H. Tati Santiesteban, Chairman

In Re: House Bill No. 1239,

Committee on Natural Resources

as engrossed

Senate Chamber Austin, Texas

By: Polumbo

FROM: Jim Oliver, Director

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Source: Air Control Board; Department of Health; Water Commission;

LBB Staff: JO, JWH, AL, JG, CKM

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE

April 21, 1989

Honorable Robert Saunders, Chair Committee on Environmental Affairs T0:

In Re: Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1239

House of Representatives Austin, Texas

FROM: Jim Oliver, Director

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Austin, Texas

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By: Polumbo

House of Representatives

Austin, Texas

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- 5 providing fuel to a public utility.
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 - 9 providing fuel to a public utility.
 - 10 Section 3--add Subsection 27.0181(e) to read as follows:
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 - 12 facilities or equipment of a public utility or a mining company
 - 13 providing fuel to a public utility.
 - 14 Section 4--add Subsection 4C(e) to read as follows:
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1	AN ACT
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3	Air Control Board, the Texas Water Commission, and the Texas
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5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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8	follows:
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15	by the same person but connected by a right-of-way that the person
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18	permit for the initial facility at a new plant site to an owner or
19	operator who, in knowing disregard of the requirements of this Act,
20	constructs or operates the facility without a permit required by
21	this Act. This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period
22	of three years after the date on which the owner or operator
23	receives notice of the violation pursuant to Subsection (d) of this

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section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the

- 1 board or a court relative to that violation. However, this
- 2 prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator ceased
- 3 operations immediately upon receipt of the notice of violation.
- 4 (d) If the board or a local government with enforcement
- 5 authority under Section 4.03 of this Act has information that
- 6 indicates that a facility described in Subsection (c) of this
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- 8 permit required by this Act, the board or local government shall
- 9 provide written notice of the violation to the owner or operator of
- 10 the facility. The notice must describe the violation and inform
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- by the same person but connected by a right-of-way that the person
- controls and to which the public does not have access.
- 26 (c) The commission may not issue a permit for the initial
- 27 facility at a new plant site to an owner or operator who, in

- 1 knowing disregard of the requirements of this chapter, discharges
- 2 waste from the facility without a permit required by this chapter.
- 3 This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period of three
- 4 years after the date on which the owner or operator receives notice
- 5 of the violation pursuant to Subsection (d) of this section and
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- 7 or a court relative to that violation. However, this prohibition
- 8 does not apply if the owner or operator ceased operations
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- 21 (e) The prohibition under Subsection (c) of this section
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- liability of the owner or operator under this code for each day the
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- 21 <u>facilities</u>, or equipment of a public utility or a mining company
- 22 providing fuel to a public utility.
- SECTION 4. The Solid Waste Disposal Act (Article 4477-7,
- 24 Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Section 4C to
- 25 read as follows:
- Sec. 4C. PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF PERMIT. (a) In this
- 27 section, "plant site" includes all geographically contiguous

- 1 property, which may be divided by public or private rights-of-way,
- 2 as well as noncontiguous properties owned by the same person but
- 3 connected by a right-of-way that the person controls and to which
- 4 the public does not have access.
- 5 (b) The commission or department may not issue a permit for
 6 the initial facility at a new plant site to an owner or operator
 7 who, in knowing disregard of the requirements of this Act,
 8 constructs or operates the facility without a permit required by
 9 this Act. This prohibition on permit issuance applies for a period
 10 of three years after the date on which the owner or operator
 11 receives notice of the violation pursuant to Subsection (c) of this
 12 section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the
- section and becomes effective upon the issuance of an order by the
- commission or department or a court relative to that violation.
- However, this prohibition does not apply if the owner or operator
- ceased operations immediately upon receipt of the notice of
- 16 violation.
- (c) If the commission or department or a local government
- with enforcement authority under Section 8(a)(4) of this Act has
- 19 information that indicates that a facility described in Subsection
- 20 (b) of this section has been or is being constructed or operated
- 21 without a permit required by this Act, the commission, department,
- or local government shall provide written notice of the violation
- 23 to the owner or operator of the facility. The notice must describe
- the violation and inform the owner or operator of the penalties
- 25 that may be assessed under this Act, including the prohibition on
- 26 issuance of a permit. A local government that provides the notice
- shall send a copy of the notice to the commission or department.

- 1 (d) The commission or department shall adopt rules to
- 2 implement this section.
- 3 (e) This section does not apply to the real property,
- 4 facilities, or equipment of a public utility or a mining company
- 5 providing fuel to a public utility.
- 6 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 1989, and
- applies to an owner or operator who is provided with written notice
- 8 on or after that date by the Texas Air Control Board, the Texas
- 9 Water Commission, the Texas Department of Health, or a local
- government with enforcement authority that the person:
- 11 (1) has operated or constructed or is operating or
- 12 constructing a facility or an injection well without a permit in
- 13 violation of the Texas Clean Air Act (Article 4477-5, Vernon's
- 14 Texas Civil Statutes), the Solid Waste Disposal Act (Article
- 15 4477-7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), or Chapter 27, Water Code;
- 16 or
- 17 (2) has discharged waste or is discharging waste from
- 18 a sewer system, treatment facility, or disposal facility without a
- 19 permit required under Chapter 26, Water Code.
- 20 SECTION 6. The importance of this legislation and the
- 21 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an
- 22 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the
- 23 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several
- 24 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

H.B. No. 1239

Preside	nt of the Senate	Speaker of the House
I cer	tify that H.B. No.	. 1239 was passed by the House on May
5, 1989,	by a non-record	vote; and that the House concurred in
Senate amen	dments to H.B. No.	1239 on May 25, 1989, by a non-record
vote.		
		Chief Clerk of the House
I cer	tify that H.B. No.	1239 was passed by the Senate, with
amendments,	on May 23, 1989,	by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays
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		Secretary of the Senate
APPROVED:		
•	Date	
	Governor	

Preside	ent of the Senate	Speaker of the House
I cei	stify that H.B. No. $\frac{12}{3}$	$\frac{37}{1)}$ was passed by the House on
the second	M_{ay} M_{ay} M_{ay} M_{ay}	1989, by a non-record vote;
and that th	ne House concurred in	Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1239
on	(3) May 25) , 1989, by a non-record vote.
	·	Chief Clerk of the House
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I cer	tify that H.B. No. 23	was passed by the Senate, with
amendments,	on(2)	1) $M_{\text{ay}} 23$, 1989, by the s $\frac{0}{4}$
following v	rote: Yeas $\frac{3}{(3)}$, Nay	s O
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		Secretary of the Senate
APPROVED:		
	Date	
	Governor	

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H. B. No	100

By July

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of permits to certain persons by the Texas Air Control Board, the Texas Water Commission, and the Texas Department of Health.

FEB 2 0 1989	1. Filed with the Chief Clerk.
MAR 2 1989	2. Read first time and Referred to Committee on Environmental Haus
APR 2 0 1989	3. Reported favorably (as substituted) and sent to Printer at APD 2.1 1000
APR 2 3 1989	4. Printed and distributed at 10:15 pm
APR 2 4 1989	5. Sent to Committee on Calendars at 9:2 m
MAY 5 1989	6. Read second time (amended); passed to third reading (failed) by (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of
· · ·	7. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H.B was ordered engrossed prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of yeas, nays, and present, not voting).
	8. Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed to suspend) by a four-fifths vote of yeas, nays, and present, not voting.

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· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			·	9.	Read third time (amended); finally passed (fuiled) by (Non-Record Vote) Record Vote of yeas, mays, present, not noting).
				10.	Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.
	<u> </u>		·	11.	Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H. B was finally passed prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of yeas, nays, and present, not voting).
M	AY	5	1989	12.	Ordered Engrossed at 11:49 am
MAY		5	1989		. Engrossed.
MAY		5	1989	14.	Returned to Chief Clerk at 4.15
MAY	8	19	189		Sent to Senate. Betty Mussay
					Chief Clerk of the House
YAM	8	ţ.	88 9	16.	Received from the House
MAY		<u>.</u> Q	198a	17.	NATURAL RESOURCES Read, referred to Committee on
MAY	1	<u>A</u>	1989	18.	Reported favorably as amended
			-	19.	Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time.
		<u></u>		20.	Ordered not printed.
<i></i>				21.	Regular order of business suspended by (a viva voce vote.)

	22. To permit consideration, reading and passage, Senate and Constitutional Rules suspended by vote of
MAY 23 1989	23. Read second time amueled passed to third reading by: a viva voce vote.) yeas,
	24. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.
MAY 23 1989	25. Senate and Constitutional 3-Day Rules suspended by vote of yeas, nays to place bill on third reading and final passage.
MAY 23 1989	26. Read third time and passed by (a-viva voce vote:)
OTHER ACTION:	OTHER ACTION: Secretary of the Senate
May 23, 1989	27. Returned to the House.
MAY 2 3 1989	28. Received from the Senate (with amendments.)
MAY 2 5 1989	29. House (Concurred) (Profused to Concur) in Senate (Amendments) by (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of yeas, nays, present,
	30. Conference Committee Ordered.
MAY 2 5 1989	31. Conference Committee Report Adopted (Rejected) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of

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